



Conference Guide

BIT's 15th Annual Congress of IDDST-2017

Time: Nov. 9-11, 2017

Venue: Hilton Xi'an, China

This guide is a practical reference for participants of IDDST-2017. It provides information on all conference-related aspects of logistics, transportation, food, accommodation and sightseeing.

(Please check the Final Program online to double confirm your speech session and time at: <http://www.iddst.com/iddst2017/ScientificProgram.asp>)

Registration

Time: Nov. 8, 2017 (08:30-22:00); Nov. 9-11, 2017 (08:00-18:00)

Place: Registration Desk, Hotel Lobby, Hilton Xi'an

Please visit the registration desk directly for your conference kits. Security passes must be worn at all the time otherwise the conference is not accessible.

Speech Slides: Conference Computer and Projection Equipment will be ready in each conference room 30mins before the session start. Confirmed your presentation slides will be brought to the meeting room 20mins ahead. The conference staff will help you to display it on the computer.

Conference Venue & Hotel Accommodation

Hilton Xi'an (西安万达希尔顿酒店)

Address: No.199 Dongxin Road, Xincheng District (西安市新城区东新街 199号); **Tel:** +86 29 8738 8888

Home Page: <http://www3.hilton.com/en/hotels/china/hilton-xian-XIYH1HI/index.html>





Transportation

There is no airport pickup service, please take a taxi/bus to the conference venue by yourself.

From Xian Xianyang International Airport to the Hilton Xi'an (40km)

By Airport Shuttle Bus: Follow two steps

1). Take Route Railway Station (Destination), RMB 25/USD 4, 70 minutes

Route Name		Railway Station
Average Frequency		About 30 minutes
Place of Departure	Airport	T2: Outside of T2 (arrivals) T3: Opposite T3 in the Ground Transportation Center (GTC)
	Railway Station	Xi'an Longhai Hotel (陇海大酒店)
First Bus	Airport	08:00
	Railway Station	06:00
Last Bus	Airport	00:00
	Railway Station	00:00

2). Get off at Railway Station, then take taxi to hotel (Cost USD 2/RMB 13), it's only about 1 km between Railway Station and Hilton Xi'an Hotel

By Taxi: 60 minutes, USD 30, RMB 180-200

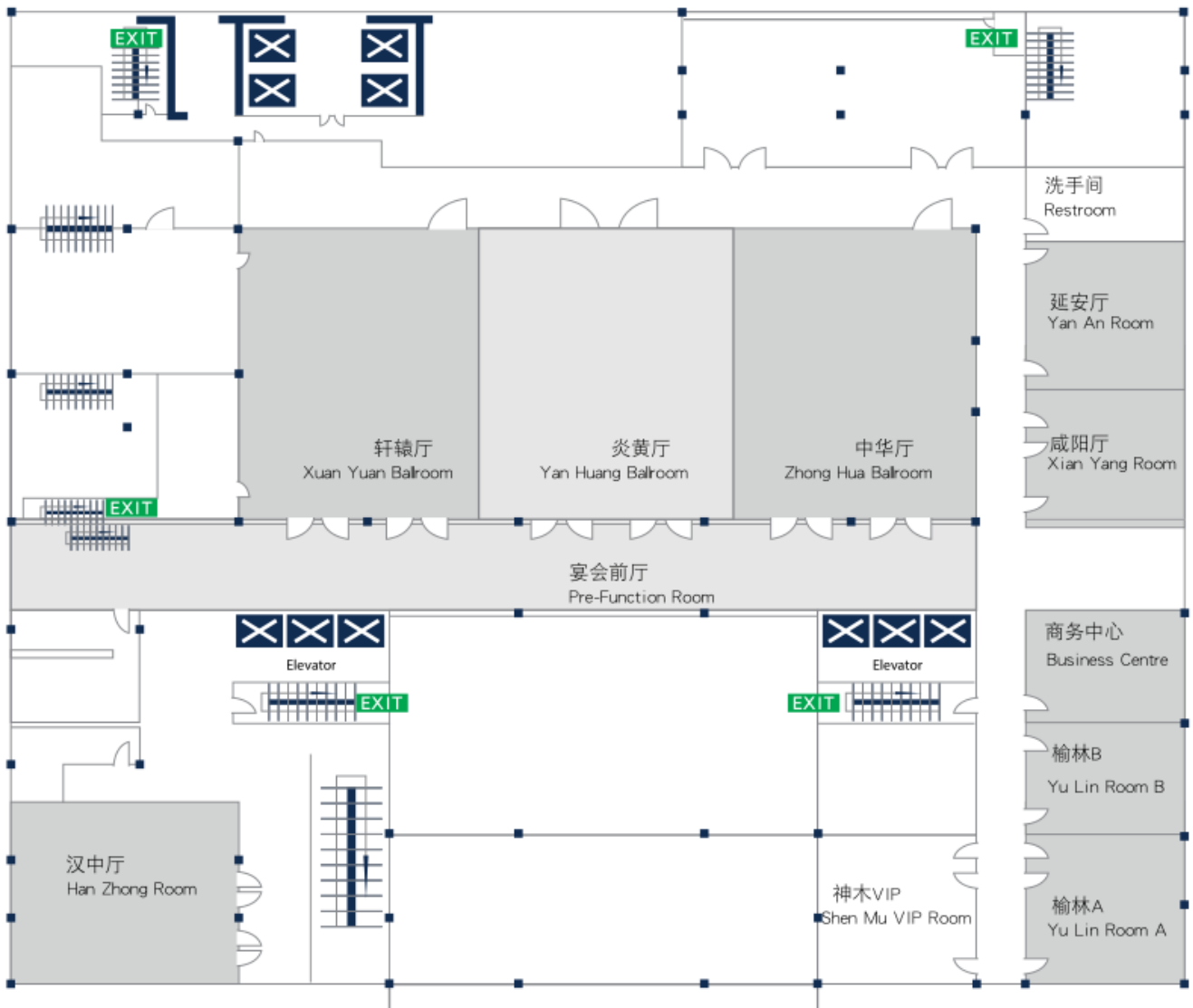
The information below would be helpful when you take a taxi:

<p>Please take me to the Hilton Xi'an Hotel. Thanks</p> <p>Add: 199 Dongxin Road, Xincheng District, Xi'an, 710005, China</p> <p>Tel: +86 29 8738 8888</p>	<p>请载我到西安万达希尔顿酒店，谢谢</p> <p>地址：西安市新城区东大街 199 号</p> <p>电话：+86 29 8738 8888</p>
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Conference Venue

The conference venue and all activities of program will be held in the 2nd Floor of Hilton Xi'an.

Hilton Xi'an Meeting Room Floor Plan



Conference in China

- **Visa**

Foreign attendees will need to apply for visa by themselves usually, so IDDST-2017 recommends applying for visas as early as possible. Please check with your local Chinese consulate or embassy to find out the earliest possible application date. Meanwhile, we strongly advise the foreign attendees to apply for the Tourist Visa instead of Business Visa in view of the adjustments for visa application to China last year, which is more accessible. We apologize for any inconvenience maybe caused to you.

- **Weather**

According to the weather forecasting: the average temperature during the period of conference is 5-15°C.

- **Currency**

The official currency is the RMB (CNY) or Yuan. Chinese money cannot be exported. Travelers' checks (restrict \$300 can be changed at hotel) and major credit cards are accepted (VISA, MASTER, JCB, AE) and foreign currency can be converted in airport, hotels, in stores and in subsidiaries of the Bank of China. The working hour of most foreign exchange centre is: 08:30-16:30. You are advised to exchange some RMB for your bus/taxi fares before your departure. The exchange rate between U.S. dollar and RMB Yuan is approximately at 1:6.7. Please check for further updates. Usually, 800-1000RMB would be enough for your transportation fees. Though major credit cards are accepted at big stores and ATMs, cash is still more widely used.

- **Electricity**

A variety of electrical outlets can be found in China and an all-around adaptor set is recommended. Voltage in China is 220V 50Hz. If you will need to use an adapter, please be sure to use an appropriate transformer as well.

- **Mobile Phone Network**

Cell phones are widely used in China with networks of GSM (800 MHz, 900 MHz & 1800 MHz) and CDMA.

- **Working Language**

The working language of this conference is English, therefore, simultaneous interpretation will not be provided.

- **Local time**

A. Time Difference

China is in one time zone – Beijing Time (GMT+ 8 hours)

B. Working Hours

Most business organizations are open at 09:00~18:00, government departments at 08:00~17:00, and banks at 09:00~17:00. Working week runs from Monday to Friday. Many stores stay open 12 hours a day, 7 days a week.

- **Insurance Policy**

It is advised to have insurance to cover sickness and other possible traveling problems. For hospitalization in China, you may have to pay first and then claim it back from your insurance company. The organizing committee will not take the responsibility for any personal injuries sustained or for loss of, or damage to, property belonging to conference participants or their accompanying persons, either during or as a result of the Conference.

- **Emergency numbers**

Police: 110

Fire Department: 119

Medical Emergency: 120

Visa Card Hotline: 10-800-110-2911

Master Card Hotline: 10-800-11-0-7309 (only in certain provinces)